

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 6 (currently amended): An injection molding apparatus comprising

a housing,

a screw sleeve which is axially displaceable with respect to said housing,

means for preventing rotation of said screw sleeve with respect to said housing,

a shaft which is mounted concentrically in said screw sleeve and is axially fixed but rotatable with respect to said screw sleeve, said shaft having one end for carrying a worm in a molding cylinder and an axially opposed end,

a spindle nut which cooperates with said screw sleeve to axially displace said screw sleeve with respect to said housing when said spindle nut is rotated,

a first drive device for rotating said spindle nut, thereby axially displacing said ~~worm~~ shaft,

an axial coupling on said opposed end which is rotatably fixed but axially displaceable with respect to said opposed end, and

a second drive device for rotating said axial coupling, thereby rotating said ~~worm~~ shaft.

Claim 7 (original): An injection molding apparatus as in claim 6 wherein each of said first and second drive devices comprises an electric motor.

Claim 8 (currently amended): An injection molding apparatus as in claim ~~6~~ 7
wherein each said electric motor is a servo motor ~~excited by permanent magnets~~.

Claim 9 (original): An injection molding apparatus as in claim 6 wherein said
opposed end of said shaft is splined.

Claim 10 (original): An injection molding apparatus as in claim 6 wherein said
screw sleeve is constructed as a ball roll spindle.